Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 15 Sep 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 16 Sep 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 14 Sep 2023 at 11:20 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Mainly settled conditions towards the weekend but high confidence for a change to wet and windy conditions early next week with lower confidence for details.

Headline for Friday 15 Sep 2023: Dry morning, patchy light rain in afternoon becoming more persistent in the evening, mainly light winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 15 Sep 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Dull	Light rain	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	10%	10%	20%	20%	50%	60%

Forecast for Friday 15 Sep 2023

Weather: Dry overnight and on Friday morning but some patchy light rain will begin to affect southern ranges in the afternoon. Cloudy at times during the day, particularly for areas west of the A9. A few spells of sunshine possible towards the Aberdeenshire hills. Rain becoming more persistent and spreading north during the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80% decreasing 60% later in the afternoon as lower cloud spreads north.

Low Cloud and visibility: Patchy low cloud over some of the summits in the morning but generally a lot of clear weather and good views, especially around northern ranges towards Loch Muick. Patchy becoming scattered or broken cloud forming above 600m around southern ranges by mid afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	23/29 SW	19/23 SW	10/13 SW	7/10 SW	5/7 N	6/9 N	8/10 E	10/13 N	10/13 NE
900	15/21 SW	13/17 SW	9/12 SW	6/9 SW	4/7 N	5/7 N	6/8 E	6/9 N	7/10 NE
600	11/21 SW	9/17 SW	6/11 SW	3/7 SW	2/5 N	3/6 NE	3/6 E	3/6 NW	4/8 NE
300	4/12 W	4/10 W	2/4 NW	2/5 SW	2/5 S	4/7 NE	1/4 NE	2/4 NW	3/8 N
Glen	3/7 W	3/6 W	2/4 NW	2/5 SW	3/6 S	3/5 E	2/5 NE	2/5 NW	4/10 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	4/-2	3/-2	4/-0	4/1	5/3	5/3	4/1	3/-0	3/-0
900	5/1	5/1	5/2	6/4	7/6	7/6	6/4	5/3	5/2
600	7/4	7/5	7/6	8/8	9/9	9/9	8/7	7/7	7/6
300	8/7	8/8	8/8	11/10	12/12	12/11	10/10	10/9	9/8
Glen	8/8	9/8	9/8	11/11	13/13	13/12	11/11	10/10	10/9
Freezing Level*	1500m	1500m	1500m	1500m	1600m	1700m	1700m	1600m	1700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling cool on the summits but winds becoming quite light on Friday.

Forecast for Saturday 16 Sep 2023
Weather: Perhaps cloudy with some light rain and drizzle at first on Saturday but improving from the north during the morning with some sunny spells for most during the afternoon. Feeling cooler in fresh northerly breezes.

Maximum wind: North 10-20mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% improving to 90%, cloud lifting from the north.

Low Cloud and visibility: Scattered low cloud around western ranges in the morning will soon lift and clear with good views likely for all areas.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 5 rising to 13 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 5 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits.

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